

Some Suggested Resources on the Medical Home Concept

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This is not meant to be an comprehensive list. I presume other team members will offer resources, some of which might be duplicates. I believe these documents fairly well represent current general thinking and initiatives in support of the medical home concept. They are in no particular order of chronology or importance. Short annotations are provided. Many additional resources can be found at: <http://www.medicalhomeinfo.org> (The National Center of Medical Home Initiatives at the American Academy of Pediatrics) and <http://www.medicalhomeimprovement.org> (Center for Medical Home Improvement).

- <http://aappolicy.aappublications.org/cgi/reprint/pediatrics;110/1/184.pdf>

The 2002 American Academy of Pediatrics Medical Home Policy Statement. The statement includes a table of characteristics a practice would exhibit if it offered accessible, family-centered, coordinated, comprehensive, continuous, compassionate, culturally competent care.

- <http://www.medicalhomeinfo.org/Joint%20Statement.pdf>

The “Joint Principles of the Patient-Centered Medical Home” is a 3-page document (endorsed by the Am Acad of Peds; Am Acad of Family Physicians; Am College of Physicians; and Am Osteopathic Assoc) supporting the major attributes of a medical home and suggesting a basic framework for payment to medical home providers.

- <http://www.wimedicalhometoolkit.aap.org/>

This excellent website from Wisconsin contains practical strategies and tools useful for building medical homes and spreading the concept from both provider and family perspectives.

- https://projectspaces.jsi.com/files/4928_Wegner_Medicare_Medical_Home_9-13.ppt

This PowerPoint presentation by private consultant Steve Wegner, JD, MD (especially the 2nd half of the presentation) discusses a few current studies and initiatives designed to document the value, including financial, of the medical home model.

- <http://www.aafp.org/online/en/home/publications/news/news-now/government-medicine/20070925medhomebill.printerview.html>

This is an introduction to a possible upcoming U.S. Senate bill (Durbin and Burr) supporting medical home demonstration projects. Also included is some favorable cost analysis data from the “Community Care of North Carolina” Medicaid management program.



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This short “Medical Home Concept” background paper was written and distributed by IA/NEPCA for members of the Affordable Health Care Commission. It promotes the policy-related importance of the medical home model as a major quality improvement strategy for Iowa’s health care system.

- <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fh/mcshn/mdhmproj.htm>

This 9-page document describes the MCHB-funded “Minnesota Medical Home Development Project.” It also lists a number of system change expectations that can be used as ideas for Iowa’s system change objectives, as well as possible measurable indicators of change.



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This file, excerpted from the Minnesota Medical Association, summarizes 2007 state legislation that financially supports care coordination pilot programs for complex Medicaid patients – adults and children – and Medical Home Learning Collaboratives for practices (see yellow highlights).

- http://www.commonwealthfund.org/aboutus/aboutus_show.htm?doc_id=510655

This Commonwealth Fund short position paper supports the medical home concept as a potential advance in care for all people and cites several current initiatives that are promoting system change via payment reform, measurement and reward, test models, and new info technology.

- http://www.commonwealthfund.org/publications/publications_show.htm?doc_id=506814

This Commonwealth Fund publication is lengthy, but important for its belief that medical homes can substantially improve health outcomes, while also reducing racial/ethnic disparities in access to and quality of care. Special encouragement is given to community health centers and other public clinics to build medical homes.